

WORK IS BEGUN.

Actual Business of the Triennial Convention

Of the World's W. C. T. U. Commences Today.

A ROUSING LETTER

From the President, Lady Henry Somerset, Is Read.

Her Place Is Filled by Mrs. Lillian M. N. Stevens.

Boston, Oct. 18.—The actual business of the triennial convention of the world's Women's Christian Temperance Union in this city was begun today. An early morning devotional service in the Park Street church was followed by the opening of the convention proper in Tremont temple, the delegates being called to order by Mrs. Lillian M. N. Stevens, of Maine, vice president at large of this world's W. C. T. U. The president, Lady Henry Somerset, being detained at home by illness, Mrs. Stevens will preside throughout the convention.

The program provided that Governor Guild should extend the welcome of the state and Mayor Fitzgerald that of the city before the roll call of the members. The remainder of the day was to be taken up with organization and the reports of officers, committees and missionaries. In the evening there will be a public meeting in Tremont temple at which addresses will be made by prominent foreign delegates.

The letter from Lady Henry Somerset, president of the world's W. C. T. U., which is dated October 2, and addressed to "My friends and comrades," says in part:

"My heart is with you today on the opening morning of the convention of the world's Women's Christian Temperance Union, and my memory goes back to the day in Faneuil hall, when for the first time I came face to face with so many comrades now well known and beloved friends. The tie that was formed so long ago has not loosened with the years, but rather in the stress and strain of work has it been drawn closer.

"You come gathered from many countries, you bring to the convention experiences many and varied. You are glad to be refreshed by companionship, to learn from one another and to set new inspirations from this great assembly. To protect the home, to banish the saloon, to whiten the teeth and to preserve the strong, these are your intentions in your warfare against the liquor traffic and there is another motive power, for it is the fulfilling of the will of God which gives the great impetus in your work the fulfilling of his will as well in this legislative history of nations as in individual lives. It is the reason for our very existence as a great world-wide society. It is the foundation upon which the whole structure of our temperance work is built.

"Nothing we believe today is more destructive to the well being of any people than the organized liquor traffic. Nothing makes it harder for men and women to fulfill the destiny for which God created them, nothing undermines principle, saps vitality, weakens character and devastates homes, more than the drink habit, which is the fatal heritage of nearly the whole civilized world.

"In your convention, many subjects may arise over which you may differ, but you will all agree that the cause is just and that the end is noble.

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or disagree, but I pray most of all for you, that the power of the spirit of God may be in your midst. May there be in your midst a deep sense of duty. May the golden light of charity be round you as an aureole and may your clasp hand in that loyal comradeship which gives united strength, and may this convention draw you closer to the union."

It was voted to send a cablegram of appreciation to Lady Somerset. Mrs. Stevens announced that the representatives of the W. C. T. U. of different countries had presented to Lady Henry a bell to be placed in the chapel at London where she worships. The bell is a ready in place. A cablegram from Lady Henry was read regarding this as follows:

"Grateful, humble, loving thanks for the silver toned voice."

CARNIVAL CROWD ENORMOUS.

Gates of the Kansas City, Kan., Exposition Had to Be Closed.

Kansas City, Kan., Oct. 18.—At 9 o'clock last night J. S. Berger, manager, closed and called on the police department for extra men to keep back the thousands of persons who were struggling to get entrance. Outside the enclosure, Minnesota avenue, from Fifth street to Seventh street, and Sixth street, for a distance of three blocks, was a mass of humanity, so dense as to almost entirely block traffic of all kinds.

"It was the greatest crowd ever seen in this city," said the manager. "The verdict of everybody who knew the city's history. The people began coming early in the morning and they kept coming all day until at last when a procession of automobiles on parade attempted to force its way through it, the motorists found their machines hemmed in on all sides by the struggling masses and the procession was almost completely disorganized. But it was a good-natured, pleasure-seeking crowd."

There were the usual attractions on the streets and in the exposition grounds, while the plaza, with its numerous fountains, assumed the appearance of a summer pleasure park. But the feature of the day was the motor car parade—though its beauty and attractiveness were marred by the density of the crowds in the central part of the city. The procession formed on Kansas avenue near the Cuddy building house, was headed by John Liggett, big machine with Mayor Langhin sitting beside Mr. Liggett. As the cars—there were thirty of them in line—passed along the route, they were greeted with hearty cheers all along the line.

No accidents occurred. Several motorists had to stop their machines at different times, because of the density of the line. The line of parade was broken several times on account of the streets being blocked by the thronging cars. The day has been designated "Coronation day" in honor of the crowning of the queen, Miss Myrtle Sabine, which will take place on the plaza of the Exposition grounds at 1:30 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. Both locomotives were totally demolished as was the baggage car on the eastbound train. With the exception of the baggage car, the rest of the train, the other coaches were practically unharmed, none of them leaving the track.

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HARRIS AT GREAT BEND.

Candidate for Governor Says Enforce Every Law.

Great Bend, Kan., Oct. 18.—Colonel W. A. Harris spoke to a crowded hall here Wednesday afternoon. In the evening he was given a banquet by the Commercial club.

Harris' introductory notice had been read. Senator Harris said, in part: "The weather has been so threatening and the roads are so bad I was really not prepared for an audience of this kind. If one-half the number had been here I should have felt gratified, but as it is I am almost overwhelmed. It's a great compliment and I wish you to know how thoroughly I appreciate it. In what I say today I want it understood that I do not talk from the standpoint of any political party. The rank and file of the people of Kansas have the same honest and patriotic purpose whether they are Republicans or Democrats or Populists. I abhor and despise this clapnet in which our party resorts to mere abuse of the other party. We internecine so far as Republicans and Democrats are concerned and as far as denunciation in religion is concerned and there is no excuse for party abuse. We are all working to a common end and to have a better government of our affairs, to liberate the persons in power are Democrats or Republicans."

The last conversation I had with President McKinley impressed me thoroughly. It was directly after the Spanish war. He said: 'The thing that pleases me about the war particularly is the victory on land and sea, not the case with which we won, not the complimentary things said by other nations about our demonstration of power, but the fact that we had a demonstration of the absolute and sectional strife. It was as if the entire country had stepped forward on the same line.'

Senator Harris then told of the fight that had been made in Missouri for decent government. He said, "has set us a splendid example. At the same election it elected Roosevelt, a Republican, president, and Folk, a Democrat, governor. Let us follow her lead."

He then mentioned what had been done along the same line in Pennsylvania, Ohio, Illinois, Michigan, Minnesota and New Hampshire, where the elimination of the domination of the railroads in politics and legislature. He told of the rottenness of the great insurance companies in New York, and said: "Under the leadership of Mr. Hughes, a lawyer of bravery, ability and conscience, they were unmasked."

Bringing his feet down to identify the situation, Senator Harris said: "The paramount issue in this campaign is not as President Roosevelt has said, a better and honest government. It is the enforcement of the law which we are making this fight. Not one law here and there, but the obedience to all laws. Unless this is done and decided upon by the people, anarchy and chaos will be the result."

"I do not know much about poker," remarked Senator Harris, "but it would seem to me that before a square deal can be had there must be a new pack and the old marked cards thrown away."

Speaking of the nonenforcement of the anti-trust law introduced into the senate years ago by Eugene Farnley, now candidate for lieutenant governor, Senator Harris said that while the law had been on the books for nine years, no attempt had been made to enforce it until a few days ago, when Fred S. Jackson, associate attorney general, filed a suit against the International Harvester company.

"Why this delay?" said Senator Harris. "Why has this suit been brought just on the eve of election? It is a candidate for office and not by his choice. About 25 per cent of this year's crop of wheat remains in farmers' hands. Little corn has been gathered except for immediate use. The crop is turning out better than expected. Farmers are putting stock on full feeds as the frost and recent dry weather have made pastures of little value."

Death of B. C. Burnley. Americus, Kan., Oct. 18.—B. C. Burnley, a Lyon county farmer and stockman, died from an attack of pneumonia at 7:30 o'clock this morning. Mr. Burnley was an old settler of this county and known to many Kansans. He was a member of several secret societies.

Mayor Kirkendall of Wilkesbarre had succeeded in breaking up a small but dangerous gang of criminals, and a clergyman was congratulating him on his work.

"The boldness of these men," said the mayor, smiling, "was what led to their undoing. They were as bold as the law had the law behind them. They reminded me, in the open and above-board way they sinned, of the young man who said he was going to open a jewelry store."

"You open a jewelry store? What are you going to open it with?" "A crowbar," the young man answered.

Honey Melody Defeats Walcott. Boston, Oct. 18.—Honey Melody of Charlestown gave the decision over Joe Walcott at the end of a fifteen-round bout before the Lincoln Athletic club in Chelsea. Nearly 3,000 persons saw the contest. The men were weighed in at 145 pounds. In the first round Walcott scored a knockdown before Melody got in more blows and inflicted more punishment than did Walcott. Melody tried almost exclusively to land effective body punches.

Will Make International Case. Chicago, Oct. 18.—Chicago friends of Miss Margaret Winifred of Creston, Ia., who was dragged from a train in Russia recently because of a defect in her passport, have decided to ask the state department at Washington, to investigate the case and secure the punishment of the soldiers declared to have treated her cruelly.

INSURANCE MEN MEET.

Mutual Companies Have Seventh Annual Session at Wichita.

Wichita, Kan., Oct. 18.—About fifty members of the Kansas State Mutual Insurance Companies association, representing practically all of the mutual companies of the state, are in session here today. It is their seventh annual meeting. W. D. Forbes of Des Moines, Ia., president of the national association, presided over the session. Charles W. Barnes, assistant state superintendent of insurance, spoke in the afternoon. For the seventh time the following officers were re-elected:

President, W. B. Gamble, Topeka; vice president, R. M. Scott, Pittsburg; secretary and treasurer, A. J. Shaw, McPherson.

Delegates to the American association of mutual insurance companies, which meets in Denver next year, were chosen as follows:

R. M. Scott, Pittsburg; W. B. Gamble, Topeka; W. M. Moore, Republic county; F. H. Pralle, Marshall county; H. E. Harbaugh, Wellington; C. J. Olson, Dickinson county; P. E. Loeber, Newton, and A. J. Shaw, McPherson.

SILVEIRA AT CURACAO. Man Who Stole a Million Touched at That Port.

New York, Oct. 18.—The steamship Carmelina, with Manuel Silveira, the Cuban banker, whose recent disappearance from Havana was said to have brought about the failure of Ceballos & Co., his wife and two children, steamed into Curacao a week ago last Sunday, according to Captain Bennett and several of the passengers and crew of the steamship Zulia, of the Red D. line, which reached here today from Curacao and Venezuelan ports.

The Carmelina left on the forenoon of the following day after taking on coal, and was bound for Porto Cabello. "I was curious enough to look up the Carmelina's passenger list," said Mr. Bennett, "and I found the names of Silveira, his wife and two other Silveiras, presumably children. I was told that they landed at Curacao, saying that they were going to New York, probably on the Zulia. I learned that they shortly afterwards went to Porto Cabello."

SELECT KNIGHTS AND LADIES. Complete Their Session at Leavenworth and Adjourn.

Leavenworth, Kan., Oct. 18.—The supreme lodge of the Select Knights and Ladies completed its biennial convention here today. The lodge is the largest in the state. The last business was the election of officers, which resulted in the election of the following officers: W. A. Harris, president; H. E. Harbaugh, vice president; J. H. Wheeler, secretary; L. H. Nettleton, treasurer; L. H. Nettleton, conductor; Mrs. Lillian Chambers, Leavenworth, Kan.; inner guard, Mrs. L. E. Eaton, Joseph, Mo.; outer guard, R. E. Black, Kansas City; medical examiner, Dr. J. M. Mattheis, Leavenworth, Mo.; warden, J. D. Baker, Topeka, Kan.; and Thomas Donahue, Kansas City.

AN AD TO THE WHEAT. Rain in Central Kansas Puts the Fields in Condition.

Little River, Kan., Oct. 18.—Rain has been falling at intervals for three days in this part of Kansas. The ground is wet and the crops are in good condition. This is the first rain of any consequence since early in September. The wheat was green in good condition, both the early and the late sown. This rain will put the crop in good condition to go into the hands of the farmer. About 25 per cent of this year's crop of wheat remains in farmers' hands. Little corn has been gathered except for immediate use. The crop is turning out better than expected. Farmers are putting stock on full feeds as the frost and recent dry weather have made pastures of little value.

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MARKETS TODAY.

Wheat Opens Strong and Trading More Active.

Corn Firm on Active Commission House Demand.

LIVE STOCK TRADE.

Cattle Are Steady—Natives Bring \$4 to \$6.75.

Hogs Are Quoted Strong and Slightly Higher.

Chicago, Oct. 18.—WHEAT—The wheat market today opened strong and trading was more active than for some days past. The bulk of the sales were for native and slightly depressed receipts in the north and higher curb prices at Minneapolis. December wheat opened at \$1.45, No. 2 hard, 75¢ higher, at \$1.50. The close was steady, with December at \$1.45 and No. 2 hard, 75¢ higher, at \$1.50.

CORN—The corn market was firm. There was an active demand by commission houses based upon the wet weather which is interfering with the free movement of the crop. December corn opened at \$1.15, No. 2, 15¢ higher, at \$1.30. The close was steady, with December at \$1.15 and No. 2, 15¢ higher, at \$1.30.

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